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REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted under 37 CFR § 1.312 in response to the Notice of Allowance dated August 23, 2007. Applicants respectfully note that the amendments indicated in the Examiner's Amendment included with the Notice of Allowance have been fully incorporated in the amendment above and therefore are not indicated as current amendments to the claims. Rather, only two claims are currently being amended. Specifically, Applicants have amended independent claims 1 and 7 to correct a typographical error changing "an" to "on". All other claims remain unchanged. As will be noted, the foregoing amendments do not change the scope of the claims and should therefore be suitable for entry even after the Notice of Allowance.

As such, Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the foregoing amendments prior to issuance of the present application. If any questions should arise regarding this Amendment, the Office is encouraged to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney to resolve those questions in the most expeditious manner.

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